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Thank you for inviting my comments on this issue. I am not affiliated with Microsoft, Sun, AOL or any of the big guns in the computing world. I am just an end user, computer instructor and an interested party. I am VERY UNHAPPY with the proposed settlement of the DOJ lawsuit. MS is a convicted monopolist. They have flagrantly defied and lied at every turn to protect their monopoly. I have seen the quality of their software decline as their power and market share grew. They continue to produce inferior products and squeeze out competitors with their constant 'bundling' of extra software with their OS's. This does not produce a better product. It reduces competition and lowers the quality for everyone. Please. Go back to the table. Come up with a settlement which does more than a slap on the wrist. The public already believes the Bush Whitehouse will try to make this go away quickly, but please prove us wrong. Show MS and other would-be anti-trust violators that being big doesn't make you above the law.

Thanks for listening.

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